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I do not agree nor support the Microsoft settlement in its current form. It does not do enough to punish Microsoft, and more importantly it does nothing to encourage innovation in the sector. The information age was built on an open architecture and as a result we experienced a golden age of innovation that brought us the Internet. If Microsoft is allowed to keep our current architecture behind closed doors, innovation will be inhibited and progress will be slow.

Thank you for your time,  
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